

Dear Commissioners:

Please don't allow more media consolidation. When different companies control the TV, radio and print news in my community they compete with each other to provide me better local and national news.

We are living at a time when a Dictatorship is growing.

Our people are being divided over faith, the gay marriage and most importantly, women's choice. These 3 things are all SUPPOSED to be personal, private things for the people of the United States to decide for themselves. The Government should have NO say-so about any of them. But, yet, instead of improving our funding for education, environment, saving our forests, lakes, oceans and the air we breathe, funding is being stripped by the billions each year so that more money can be spent on WAR. The problem is, the money, over \$300 billion already, is not being spent in Iraq for schools, hospitals and rebuilding of their infrastructure, as bush keeps saying, but rather is being eaten up by giving money to unscrupulous, corrupt construction companies that won the jobs on a "no-bid" basis. That's how bush and his minions do business. Throw billions to the people who will help them stay in office and the HELL with the American public. The biggest business working with the administration is the FCC, trying to take over control of the newspapers, magazines, radio, television and cable stations. They want 3 or 4 big companies in charge of ALL MEDIA so that there can be no news getting out to the people of the country except what the White House sends out in their talking points. FOX news is a good example of 'talking points' from early morning to late evening, they repeat, repeat, repeat the same lies over and over and over again. This is what happened in Nazi Germany in the 30's. People were divided into the believers and the sane. The sane believing, as we do here, that people are important and deserve better lives rather than oppression. Our people are being oppressed and lied to. Our people are being made to hate anyone who doesn't absolutely believe in the hereafter, who doesn't

believe in absolute power for the government, who think that being gay is a life choice rather than something they have no choice over, and finally, who believe that the government and the Church should tell a woman that she cannot PLAN a family, but must give birth whether she can afford to or not. Whether she knows she cannot handle the care of a child or not. Once that Dictatorship is actually in place, the red states, with all their high and mighty notions of telling the rest of us what to do, how to do it, when to do it and why to do it, these same people will all of a sudden find that they, too, are under the foot of the government and have no more rights than the people they hate. BIG Government will prevail in every step of your life. Decisions will be made for you and if you don't like it, you are liable to end up in jail. The United States is being ground down into a 3rd. World Country and that's just what this corrupt bunch in DC wants. A ONE PARTY system, a Dictatorship, will make all the laws, the rules and regulations and the Constitution will be replaced, the Bill of Rights will be replaced and the Declaration of Independence will be replaced, by a small group of Holier Than Thou, neo-nazi's the likes of which we haven't seen since the 1930's and 1940's. This is what we're headed for if people don't open up their minds and start speaking up. VOTE! Vote in November and make sure you vote for someone who is trying to make better lives for the people of this country. Don't forget what Lincoln said; "This government is 'OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE', and nothing else matters but that!!!!

I don't want the same company that owns my TV station or my radio station to also own my newspaper I would just get the same news all over again.

I rely on the media to find out about national and local issues. I want to feel confident that I can get all the viewpoints I need to make well-reasoned decisions about these issues. I also want media outlets in my town to care about my needs and interests.

Thank you for your consideration of this important issue. I look forward to hearing from you about your efforts to ensure diversity, localism and independence in our media.

Sincerely,  
Elaine Gough